

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2075–2077, S.J. Res. 32, and S. Res. 369. **Page S1281**

Measures Considered:

Child Care and Development Block Grant Act: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1086, to reauthorize and improve the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990. **Pages S1257–59**

Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the continuation of the national emergency originally declared in executive order 13288 on March 6, 2003, with respect to the actions and policies of certain members of the Government of Zimbabwe and other persons to undermine Zimbabwe's democratic processes or institutions, as received during adjournment of the Senate on February 28, 2014; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–31) **Page S1278**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the Budget of the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2015; referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975 as modified by the order of April 11, 1986; which was referred to the Committees on Appropriations; and the Budget. (PM–32) **Pages S1278–80**

Adegbile Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, March 5, 2014, Senate resume consideration of the nomination of Debo P. Adegbile, of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney General, under the order of Monday, March 3, 2014. **Page S1283**

Nomination Received: Senate received the following nomination:

1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral. **Page S1284**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:14 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 5, 2014. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1283.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee announced that Senator Tester resigned his position as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment effective at close of business on February 28, 2014.

UNITED STATES ALLIANCES IN NORTHEAST ASIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded a hearing to examine strengthening United States alliances in Northeast Asia, after receiving testimony from Daniel R. Russel, Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs; David F. Helvey, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for East Asia; and Sheila Smith, Council on Foreign Relations, and

Michael R. Auslin, The American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research, both of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Caroline Diane Krass, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency, John P. Carlin, of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney

General, Department of Justice, and Francis Xavier Taylor, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Intelligence and Analysis.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 4137–4147; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 111 and H.Res. 498, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3189, to prohibit the conditioning of any permit, lease, or other use agreement on the transfer, relinquishment, or other impairment of any water right to the United States by the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture, with amendments (H. Rept. 113–372, Pt. 1) and

H. Res. 497, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3826) to provide direction to the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency regarding the establishment of standards for emissions of any greenhouse gas from fossil fuel-fired electric utility generating units, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4118) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to delay the implementation of the penalty for failure to comply with the individual health insurance mandate (H. Rept. 113–373).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Denham to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Communication from the Sergeant at Arms: Read a letter from Paul D. Irving, Sergeant at Arms, in which he notified the House that pursuant to clause 12(c) of rule I, an imminent impairment of the place of reconvening for the House meeting of 12 noon on Monday, March 3, 2014, was in place due to weather. Subsequently, the Chair announced that the rescheduling of the time of meeting for the House at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 had been communicated to the Members.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Harvey Peters, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Home Heating Emergency Assistance Through Transportation Act of 2014: H.R. 4076, to address shortages and interruptions in the availability of propane and other home heating fuels in the United States;

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Supporting the people of Venezuela as they protest peacefully for democratic change and calling to end the violence: H. Res. 488, amended, to support the people of Venezuela as they protest peacefully for democratic change and to call to end the violence, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 393 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 92;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Supporting the people of Venezuela as they protest peacefully for democracy, a reduction in violent crime and calling for an end to recent violence.”

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Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Conservation and Recreation Act: S. 23, to designate as wilderness certain land and inland water within the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore in the State of Michigan;

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North Fork Watershed Protection Act: H.R. 2259, amended, to withdraw certain Federal land and interests in that land from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws and disposition under the mineral and geothermal leasing laws and to preserve existing uses;

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Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act: H.R. 3370, amended, to delay the implementation